

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3696. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of Management, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary, received on August 31, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3697. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of Management, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the designation of an acting officer for the position of Assistant Secretary, received on August 31, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3698. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of Communications and Outreach, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of action on a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary, received on August 31, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3699. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of action on a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary, received on August 31, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3700. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of action on a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary, received on August 31, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3701. A communication from the White House Liaison, Institute of Education Sciences, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Commissioner of Education Statistics, received on August 31, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3702. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Prohibited Transaction Exemption 84-14 for Plan Asset Transactions Determined by Independent Qualified Professional Asset Managers" (PTE 84-14) received on August 23, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3703. A communication from the Senior Regulatory Officer, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Service Contract Act Wage Determination OnLine Request Process" (RIN1215-AB47) received on August 31, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3704. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Irradiation in the Production, Processing, and Handling of Food" (Docket No. 1999F-4372) received on August 17, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3705. A communication from the Deputy Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Parts 4022 and 4044) received on September 6, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3706. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Fiscal Year 2003 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MCCAIN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 113. A bill to modify the date as of which certain tribal land of the Lytton Rancheria of California is deemed to be held in trust (Rept. No. 109-136).

By Mr. SPECTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1197. A bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. TALENT:

S. 1650. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on prohexadione calcium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TALENT:

S. 1651. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on methyl methoxy acetate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TALENT:

S. 1652. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on methoxyacetic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TALENT:

S. 1653. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on N-Methylpiperidine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TALENT:

S. 1654. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on p-trifluoromethyl benzaldehyde; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TALENT:

S. 1655. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on quincolorac technical; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TALENT:

S. 1656. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on pyridaben; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TALENT:

S. 1657. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-acetylpyridine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1658. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sodium orthophenylphenol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1659. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on a certain chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1660. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on a certain ion exchange resin; to the Committee on Finance.

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By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1666. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on a certain chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1667. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Baypure CX to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1668. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on a certain chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1669. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Isoeicosane; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1670. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Isododecane; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1671. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Isohexadecane; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1672. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on aminoguanidine bicarbonate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1673. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on O-Chlorotoluene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1674. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Bayderm Bottom DLV-N; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1675. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2, 3-Dichloronitrobenzene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1676. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on O-Toluidine to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 1677. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the deduction for college tuition expenses and to expand such deduction to include expenses for books; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 1678. A bill to temporarily increase the standard mileage rate for use of an automobile for purposes of certain deductions allowed under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and to temporarily increase the reimbursement rate for use of an automobile by Federal employees; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DEWINE (for himself and Mr. ROCKEFELLER):

S. 1679. A bill to amend part E of title IV of the Social Security Act to strengthen courts for at-risk children, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CORNYN:

S. 1680. A bill to reform the issuance of national security letters; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 1681. A bill to provide for reimbursement of communities for purchases of supplies distributed to Katrina Survivors; read the first time.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 1682. A bill to provide for reimbursement for business revenue lost as a result of a facility being used as an emergency shelter for Katrina Survivors; read the first time.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 1683. A bill to provide relief for students affected by Hurricane Katrina; read the first time.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 1684. A bill to clarify which expenses relating to emergency shelters for Katrina Survivors are eligible for Federal reimbursement; read the first time.

By Mr. OBAMA (for himself, Mr. BAYH, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. SALAZAR):

S. 1685. A bill to ensure the evacuation of individuals with special needs in times of emergency; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 1686. A bill to amend the Constitution Heritage Act of 1988 to provide for the operation of the National Constitution Center; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 1687. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide waivers relating to grants for preventive health measures with respect to breast and cervical cancers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 1688. A bill to provide 100 percent Federal financial assistance under the Medicaid and State children's health insurance programs for States providing medical or child health assistance to survivors of Hurricane Katrina, to provide for an accommodation of the special needs of such survivors under the medicare program, and for other purposes; read the first time.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 267

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 267, a bill to reauthorize the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, and for other purposes.

S. 269

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 269, a bill to provide emergency relief to small business concerns affected by a significant increase in the price of heating oil, natural gas, propane, or kerosene, and for other purposes.

S. 440

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 440, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to include podiatrists as physicians for purposes of covering physicians services under the medicaid program.

S. 484

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. DOMENICI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 484, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Federal civilian and military retirees to pay health insurance premiums on a

pretax basis and to allow a deduction for TRICARE supplemental premiums.

S. 513

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 513, a bill to provide collective bargaining rights for public safety officers employed by States or their political subdivisions.

S. 603

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 603, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide certain substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 635

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 635, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve the benefits under the medicare program for beneficiaries with kidney disease, and for other purposes.

S. 695

At the request of Mr. SALAZAR, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 695, a bill to suspend temporarily new shipper bonding privileges.

S. 875

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 875, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to increase participation in section 401(k) plans through automatic contribution trusts, and for other purposes.

S. 1064

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. BURNS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1064, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve stroke prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and rehabilitation.

S. 1081

At the request of Mr. KYL, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1081, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a minimum update for physicians' services for 2006 and 2007.

S. 1110

At the request of Mr. ALLEN, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1110, a bill to amend the Federal Hazardous Substances Act to require engine coolant and antifreeze to contain a bittering agent in order to render the coolant or antifreeze unpalatable.

S. 1112

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms.

COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1112, a bill to make permanent the enhanced educational savings provisions for qualified tuition programs enacted as part of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001.

S. 1173

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1173, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to ensure the right of employees to a secret-ballot election conducted by the National Labor Relations Board.

S. 1179

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1179, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure that benefits under part D of such title have no impact on benefits under other Federal programs.

S. 1244

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1244, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals a deduction for qualified long-term care insurance premiums, use of such insurance under cafeteria plans and flexible spending arrangements, and a credit for individuals with long-term needs.

S. 1272

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1272, a bill to amend title 46, United States Code, and title II of the Social Security Act to provide benefits to certain individuals who served in the United States merchant marine (including the Army Transport Service and the Naval Transport Service) during World War II.

S. 1315

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1315, a bill to require a report on progress toward the Millennium Development Goals, and for other purposes.

S. 1369

At the request of Mr. TALENT, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1369, a bill to establish an Unsolved Crimes Section in the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice.

S. 1403

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1403, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend reasonable cost contracts under medicare.

S. 1440

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1440, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage for cardiac rehabilitation and pulmonary rehabilitation services.